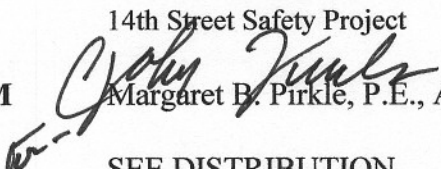


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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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INTERDEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

FILE P. I. No. 0005945, Fulton County
NHS-0005-00(945)
14th Street Safety Project
OFFICE Preconstruction
DATE July 13, 2005
FROM  Margaret B. Pirkle, P.E., Assistant Director of Preconstruction
TO SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT APPROVED NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN

Attached for your further handling is the approved Location and Design Report on the above subject project.

Also attached is the Notice of Location and Design Approval. This is authorization for the District to proceed with advertisement.

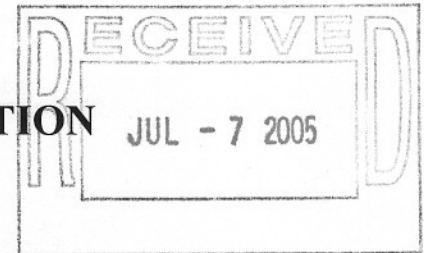
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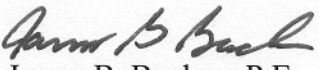


INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

FILE NHS-0005-00(945), Fulton County
14th Street, Spring Street to West Peachtree Street
P.I. No. 0005945

OFFICE Urban Design

DATE July 5, 2005

FROM 
James B. Buchan, P.E.
State Urban Design Engineer

TO Meg Pirkle, P.E., Assistant Director of Preconstruction

SUBJECT Request for Location and Design Approval

Description and Project Proposal: Project NHS-0005-00(945) is located in Atlanta, Fulton County, east of the I-75/85 corridor along 14th Street. This project will introduce a median and an eastbound left turn lane to increase safety along 14th Street from Spring Street to West Peachtree Street. The design consists of a typical section that varies between blocks from Spring Street to just east of West Peachtree Street. Beginning west of Spring Street there will be 2-11' lanes eastbound that will widen to 3-11' lanes as it approaches Spring Street. From Spring Street, 3-11' lanes continue with the additional lane being a left turn lane to West Peachtree Street. Westbound from West Peachtree Street, 2-11' lanes continue east for the length of the project. The project will tie to the existing 14th Street just east of West Peachtree Street. Right of way requirements will be held to a minimum between Spring Street and West Peachtree Street with a 7' raised landscaped median, construction of a 15' sidewalk along the south shoulder and retaining the existing sidewalk along the north shoulder. The total length of the project is 0.151 miles.

Concept Approval Date: June 27, 2005


Approval Date of Categorical Exclusion: June 9, 2005

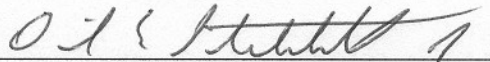
Public Involvement: A Public Information and Detour Open House was held on February 15, 2005 on the subject project in conjunction with project NHS-0001-00(298). The Open House was held at the Georgia Center for Advanced Telecommunications Technology on 14th Street. There were a total of 62 comments received for both projects with five opposed, 20 in support, 12 uncommitted and 25 conditional. The major concerns for the subject project were: There is no westbound left-turn lane from 14th Street onto Spring Street; width of the sidewalks in relation to placement of utility poles; and the size of the radii on the corners in relation to pedestrians crossing. There were a total of 249 people in attendance with one City of Atlanta Councilwoman in attendance.


Before the Open House was held a 14th Street Citizen's Advisory Committee was formed to gather input and discuss the concept and get community buy in. The concept layout shown at the Open House was the result of a successful collaboration between the various businesses, neighborhood stakeholders in Midtown, and various government agencies.

Consistency with Approved Planning: The design description as presented herein and submitted for approval is consistent with the approved Concept Report.

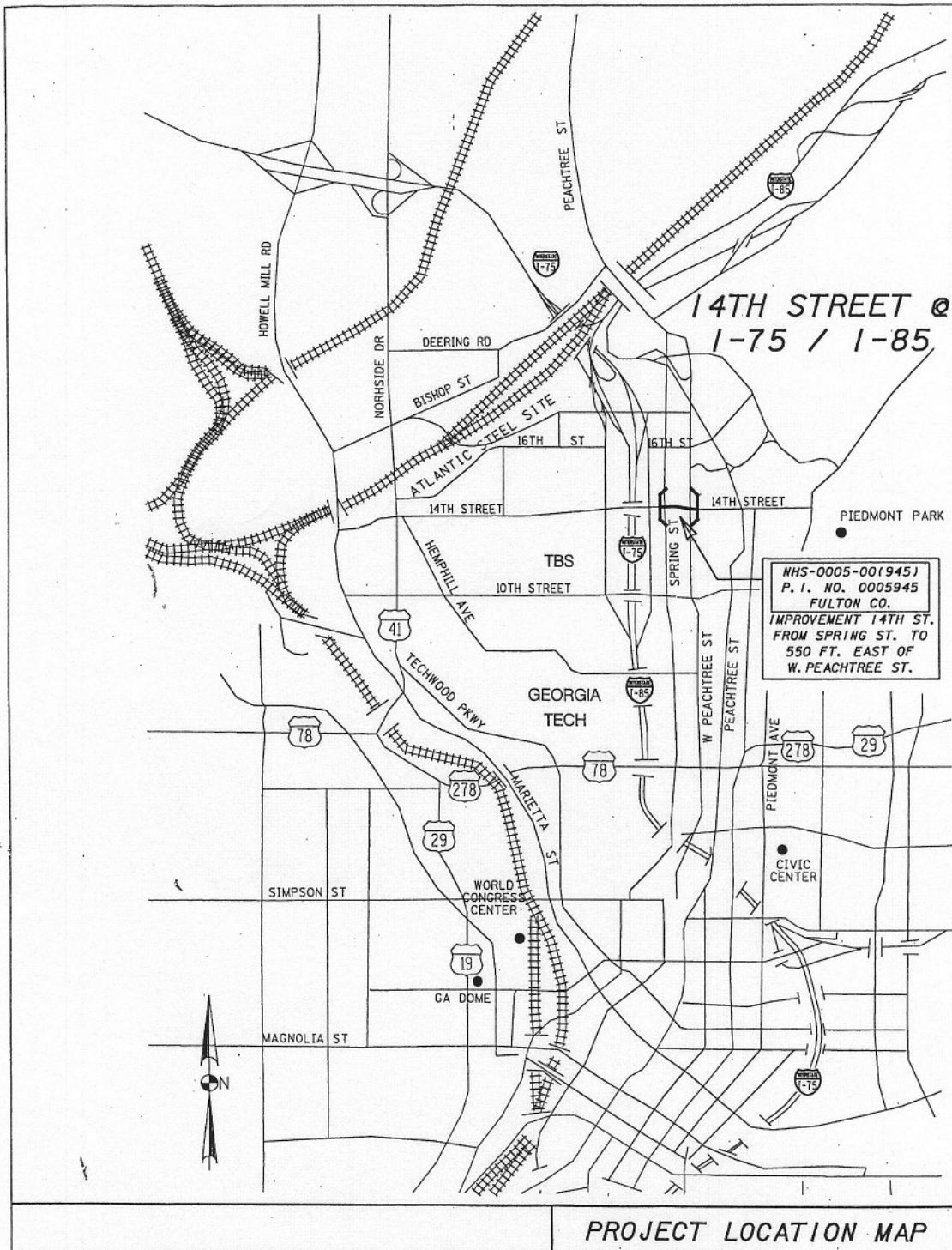
Recommendations: It is recommended that the Location and Design for the project be approved and that the attached "Notice" be approved for advertising.

RECOMMEND: 
Buddy Gratton, P.E., Director of Preconstruction

APPROVE:  7/11/05
David Studstill, P.E., Chief Engineer Date of Approval


Attachments:

- Sketch Map
- Notice of Location and Design Approval



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NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL

**NHS-0005-00(945), Fulton County
P.I. No. 0005945**

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Georgia code 22-2-109 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

The date of location approval is July 13, 2005

Project NHS-0005-00(945) consists of the addition of an eastbound to northbound left-turn lane and the addition of a 7' raised landscaped median on 14th Street between Spring Street and West Peachtree Street. 14th Street would remain two thru lanes in each direction between Spring Street and West Peachtree Street. This project will join project NHS-0001-00(298) on the west and tie to the existing 14th Street just east of West Peachtree Street. This project is located in Fulton County within Land Lots 106 & 107 in Land District 17.

Drawings or maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation, District 7 Atlanta Area Office:

Mr. Mark Sanford, Area Engineer
mark.sanford@dot.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Transportation
21 Claire Drive
Atlanta, GA 30315
(404) 624-2436

Any interested party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portion thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

Mr. James B. Buchan, P.E.
ben.buchan@dot.state.ga.us
State Urban Design Engineer
Georgia Department of Transportation
No. 2 Capital Square
Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1002

Any written request or communication in reference to this project or notice should include the Project and P.I. Number as noted at the top of this notice.